INQUIRY INTO CURRENT AND FUTURE PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE SOUTH-WEST SYDNEY GROWTH REGION

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Campbelltown area is a growing area with multi cultural flavour. Lot of new dwellings are already constructed and new area of developments are underway. There is a huge population growth in and around Campbelltown area. Campbelltown hospital is the main hospital providing the health care facility to this population. Campbelltown hospital is also main teaching hospital for Western Sydney University medical students. Currently Campbelltown hospital is level 5 hospital with out major surgical units like cardiothoracic, neuro or vascular surgery on site.

With this background, to cater the growing population in and around Campbelltown and vast area to the south up to Canberra, Campbelltown hospital should gear up and to be elevated to level 6 tertiary centre with major surgical units on site. This will improve the quality of health care to local population and at the same time reduce burden on already over worked Liverpool hospital. This will also give better educational exposure to Western Sydney medical students.

At present Liverpool health district comprises of Liverpool, Campbelltown, Bankstown, Fairfield and Bowral hospitals, covering a large area. Separating Campbelltown, Camden and Bowral hospital in to another health district will improve the services and lead to easier access to all health care facility in the area. This will also help better administration and rapid development along with population growth.